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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application of:

Donaldson, et al.

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Examiner: Alanko, Anita Karen

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For: **Slotted Substrates and Methods and Systems for Same**

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Mail Stop: RCE  
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Sir:

The outstanding final Office Action mailed September 7, 2005 has been carefully considered. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and presently pending claims, as amended, are respectfully requested.

In accordance with 37 U.S.C. §1.114, a Request for Continued Examination is filed concurrently with this Response to the final Office Action so that the Office Action mailed September 7, 2005 is effectively made non-final.

**Deposit Account Authorization**

It is not believed that extensions of time are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 08-2025.